### Hawaii Renewable Energy Resource Assessment



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## **Background**

- Renewable Energy Resource Assessment and Development Program completed by GEC in 1995 as part of the Hawaii Energy Strategy
  - Identified potential sites for renewable energy projects in Hawaii
  - Collected wind and solar resource data
  - Developed cost and performance estimates for each potential project

## Hawaii's Abundant Renewable Energy Resources

- Wind
- Solar
- Geothermal
- Biomass
- Hydro
- Ocean technologies





# **Approach to Estimating Cost and Performance**



- Cost and performance based on sitespecific resource data and conditions
- Two conceptual plant designs were developed
  - Current technology
  - Future technology
- Optimistic, nominal, and conservative cases were considered to account for uncertainty
- Costs were estimated consistent with EPRI TAG methodology

# **Approach to Estimating Cost and Performance (cont.)**

- Costs include permitting, interconnection, land acquisition, equipment, installation, commissioning, and O&M
- Transmission upgrade requirements based on best available information or utility IRP estimates
- Cost of energy calculated for each project for comparison purposes

# Update of Selected Cost and Performance Estimates

- Completed for DBEDT in late 2000
- Focused on most promising technologies and locations
- Projects offer near-term opportunities
- Representative sampling other projects are possible
- Most projects described in 1995 report; some variations

#### List of Projects Included in 2000 Update

Taabaalaaa	lalan d	l a antion	Capacity
Technology	Island	Location	MW
Geothermal	Hawaii	Kilauea [1]	8,22
Hydroelectric	Hawaii Kauai	Umauma Stream Wailua River	13.8 6.6
Photovoltaic	Hawaii Oahu	N Kohola Pearl Harbor	5 5
Wind	Hawaii	Kahua Ranch [2] Lalamilo Wells North Kohala	10 3, 30, 50 5, 15
	Kauai	N. Hanapepe Port Allen	10 5
	Maui	McGregor Point [2] NW Haleakala Puunene	20 10, 30, 50 10, 30
	Oahu	Kaena Point Kahuku	3, 15 30, 50, 80

<sup>[1]</sup> The 8 MW project is a topping unit that could be added to the existing 30 MW facility. The 22 MW project could be installed in 2005 as a separate power plant at the same location.

<sup>[2]</sup> Future projects were not evaluated because actual projects are currently under development which will preclude additional projects at these locations.

### Cost of Energy - Current Projects (2000)

			Capacity	COE
Technology	Island	Location	MW	\$⁄k <b>W</b> h
Geothermal	Hawaii	Kilauea	8	\$0.045
Hydroelectric	Hawaii	Umauma Stream	13.8	\$0.076
	Kauai	Wailua River	6.6	\$0.093
Photovoltaics	Hawaii	N Kohola	5	\$0.298
	Oahu	Pearl Harbor	5	\$0.305
Wind	Hawaii	Kahua Ranch	10	\$0.055
		Lalamilo Wells	3	\$0.044
		Lalamilo Wells	30	\$0.046
		Lalamilo Wells	50	\$0.044
		North Kohala	5	\$0.043
		North Kohala	15	\$0.043
	Kauai	N. Hanapepe	10	\$0.067
		Port Allen	5	\$0.073
	Maui	McGregor Point	20	\$0.051
		NW Haleakala	10	\$0.055
		NW Haleakala	30	\$0.064
		NW Haleakala	50	\$0.061
		Puunene	10	\$0.077
		Puunene	30	\$0.083
	Oahu	Kaena Point	3	\$0.068
		Kaena Point	15	\$0.070
		Kahuku	30	\$0.067
		Kahuku	50	\$0.059
		Kahuku	80	\$0.069

### Cost of Energy - Future Projects (2010)

			Capacity	COE
Technology	Island	Location	MW	\$/kWh
Geothermal	Hawaii	Kilauea (in 2005)	22	\$0.044
Hydroelectric	Hawaii	Umauma Stream	13.8	\$0.075
	Kauai	Wailua River	6.6	\$0.092
Photovoltaics	Hawaii	N Kohola	5	\$0.205
	Oahu	Pearl Harbor	5	\$0.212
Wind	Hawaii	Lalamilo Wells	3	\$0.037
		Lalamilo Wells	30	\$0.038
		Lalamilo Wells	50	\$0.037
		North Kohala	5	\$0.036
		North Kohala	15	\$0.036
	Kauai	N. Hanapepe	10	\$0.057
		Port Allen	5	\$0.062
	Maui	NW Haleakala	10	\$0.047
		NW Haleakala	30	\$0.053
		NW Haleakala	50	\$0.051
		Puunene	10	\$0.061
		Puunene	30	\$0.069
	Oahu	Kaena Point	3	\$0.057
		Kaena Point	15	\$0.058
		Kahuku	30	\$0.055
		Kahuku	50	\$0.054
		Kahuku	80	\$0.057

# Small-Scale Applications Also Exist

- Grid-connected
- Remote, off-grid
- Applications on all islands





 Only small-scale applications considered on Molokai and Lanai

### **Conclusions**

- Significant cost and performance improvements achieved since 1995
- Wind and geothermal offer least cost
- Significant opportunities exist on all islands